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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

DICKENSHEETS ET AL. : GROUP ART UNIT: 2872

SERIAL NO: 09/070,699 : EXAMINER: PHAN, I.

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FOR: Miniature Scanning Confocal :
Microscope

37 CFR 1.607(a)(4) AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Please amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 27-43.

Please add claims 44-72 as follows:

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44. ~~An optical beam steering apparatus comprising:~~

a single substrate body defined by an upper surface and formed with at least one cavity including an upper cavity formed on the upper surface of the substrate body and a primary optical path for accommodating the passage of a light beam aligned in a predetermined orientation with the upper cavity; and a beam steering assembly having a steerable element positioned substantially adjacent the upper cavity for controllably directing the light beam in

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